

IN THE CLAIMS – Following is the list of claims and their status:

1. (Currently Amended) An underground reservoir for storing liquid products, consisting of an inner, main reservoir and an outer, secondary reservoir consisting of a coating layer, said coating layer consisting of an inner layer made from a paper material and an outer layer made of polyurethane made without the addition of any solvents.

2. (Previously Presented) The underground reservoir of claim 1, wherein said paper material is a latex-based paper.

3. (Previously Presented) The underground reservoir of claim 1, wherein said outer layer made of polyurethane is made without the addition of any solvents.

4. (Currently Amended) A process for manufacturing an underground reservoir comprising the steps of:

providing an inner, main reservoir, and

covering an outer surface of said main reservoir with a first coating layer consisting of a paper material, and applying a second coating layer consisting of polyurethane, made without the addition of any solvents, over said first coating layer.

5. (Original) The process according to claim 4, additionally comprising the step of jet-blasting portions of the outer surface of said main reservoir to enhance the adhesion of said first coating layer.

6. (Previously Presented) The process according to claim 4, wherein said

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paper material is a latex-based paper.

7. (Previously Presented) The process according to claim 4, wherein said second polyurethane-based coating layer is made of polyurethane, without the addition of any solvents.

8. (Previously Presented) The process according to claim 7, wherein said second polyurethane-based coating layer has a desired minimum thickness of at least 2.5 mm.

9. (Previously Presented) The underground reservoir of claim 1, wherein the main reservoir is made of carbon steel.

10. (Previously Presented) The process according to claim 4, wherein the main reservoir is made of carbon steel.